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Care should be taken in the interpretation of the trend series, as the most recent data are subject to revision when subsequent months' data become available. Care should also be taken in the interpretation of month-to-month movements in the original and seasonally adjusted data - see paragraphs 15 to 19.

MAIN FEATURES

The June 1987 estimate (seasonally adjusted) of employed persons was 7,116,400, an increase of 38,800 compared with May 1987. The major component of this increase was growth in male employment of 30,000. The trend estimates of employed persons show a pattern of continuing growth in employment since September 1986, following the levelling-

off in growth between April 1986 and September 1986, and a steady growth in employment in the period April 1983 to April 1986.

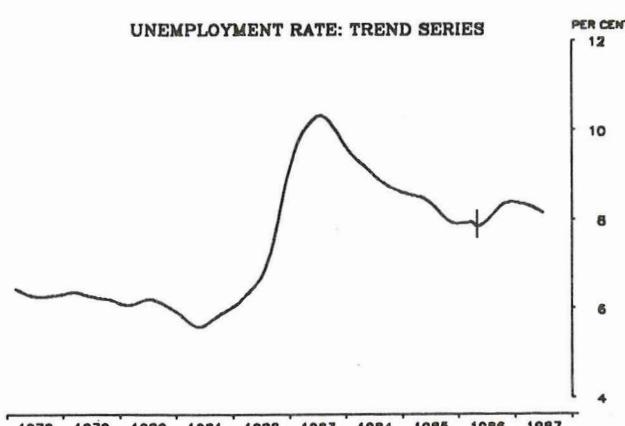
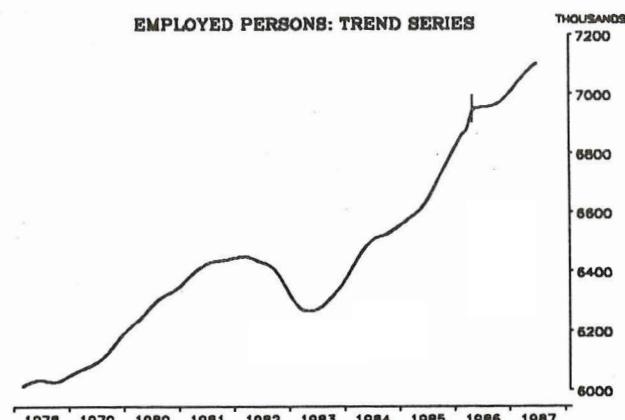
The State trend estimates of employed persons (see graphs on page 2) show varying pictures with respect to growth in employment. In New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia there has been steady growth in employed persons in recent months. The South Australian trend estimates of employed persons have changed little since May 1986. The Queensland and Tasmanian trend estimates of employed persons have shown small decreases in recent months.

The total number of unemployed (seasonally adjusted) stood at 618,700, a decrease of 15,300 compared with May 1987. This fall was made up entirely of a decrease in the number of persons looking for full-time work, including a fall of 9,700 for females. The trend estimates of unemployed persons were relatively unchanged at about 640,000 between November 1986 and March 1987, and since then have shown successive small falls.

The June 1987 unemployment rate was 8.0% (seasonally adjusted) down by 0.2 percentage points from May 1987. The June 1987 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is the lowest for twelve months. The trend estimates show that during the last year the unemployment rate reached a peak (8.4%) in the period October 1986 to January 1987, and since then has steadily declined. This feature is evident in the trend estimates for both male and female unemployment rates.

The State trend estimates show that the unemployment rate for all persons has remained fairly steady in recent months in each State except for Victoria, where there has been a decline in the trend unemployment rate from 7.0% in November 1986 to 6.2% in June 1987. Victoria also has a lower unemployment rate than any other State.

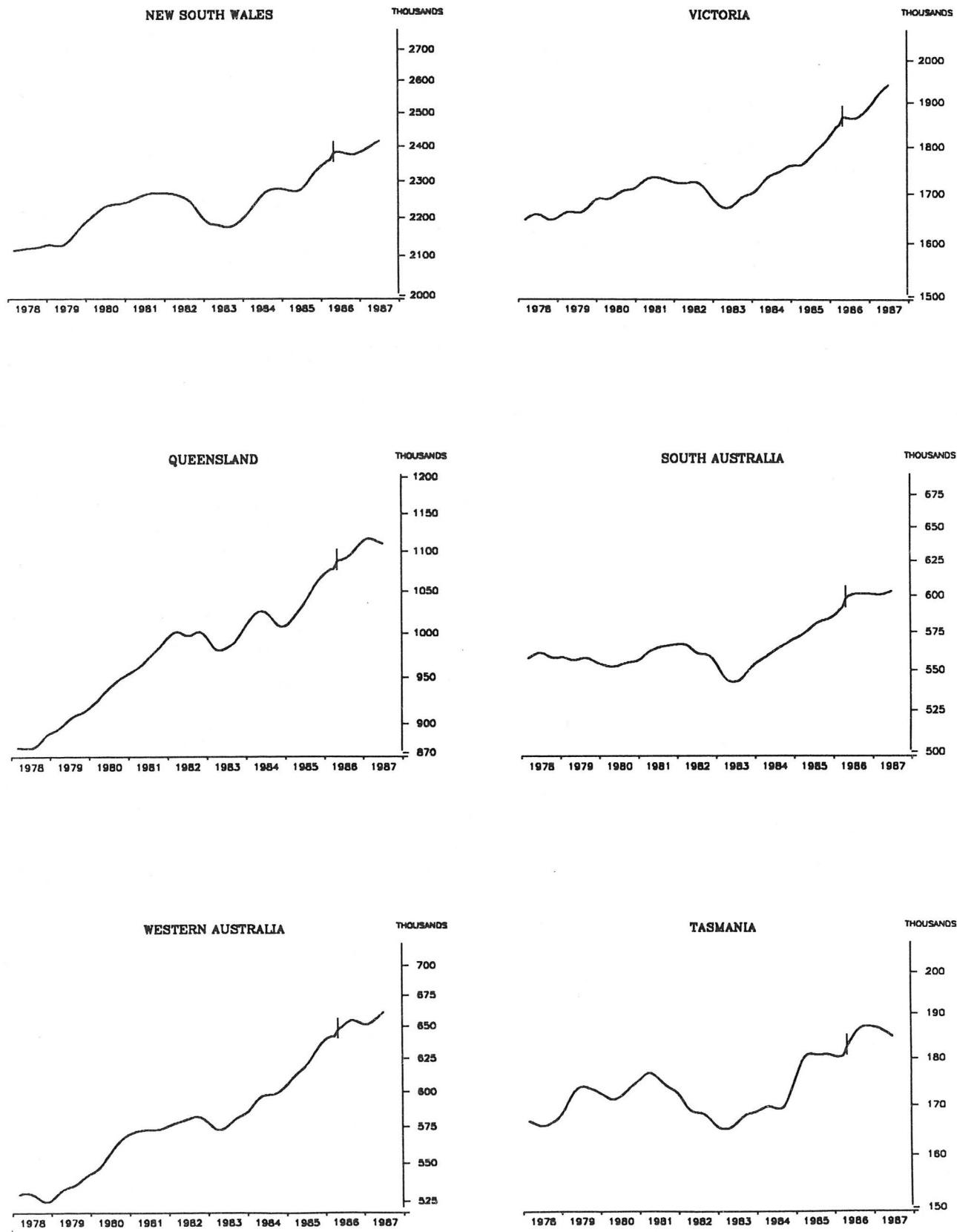
The participation rate (seasonally adjusted) for June 1987 was 62.1%. The trend estimates show that the participation rate for persons has been relatively unchanged since April 1986.



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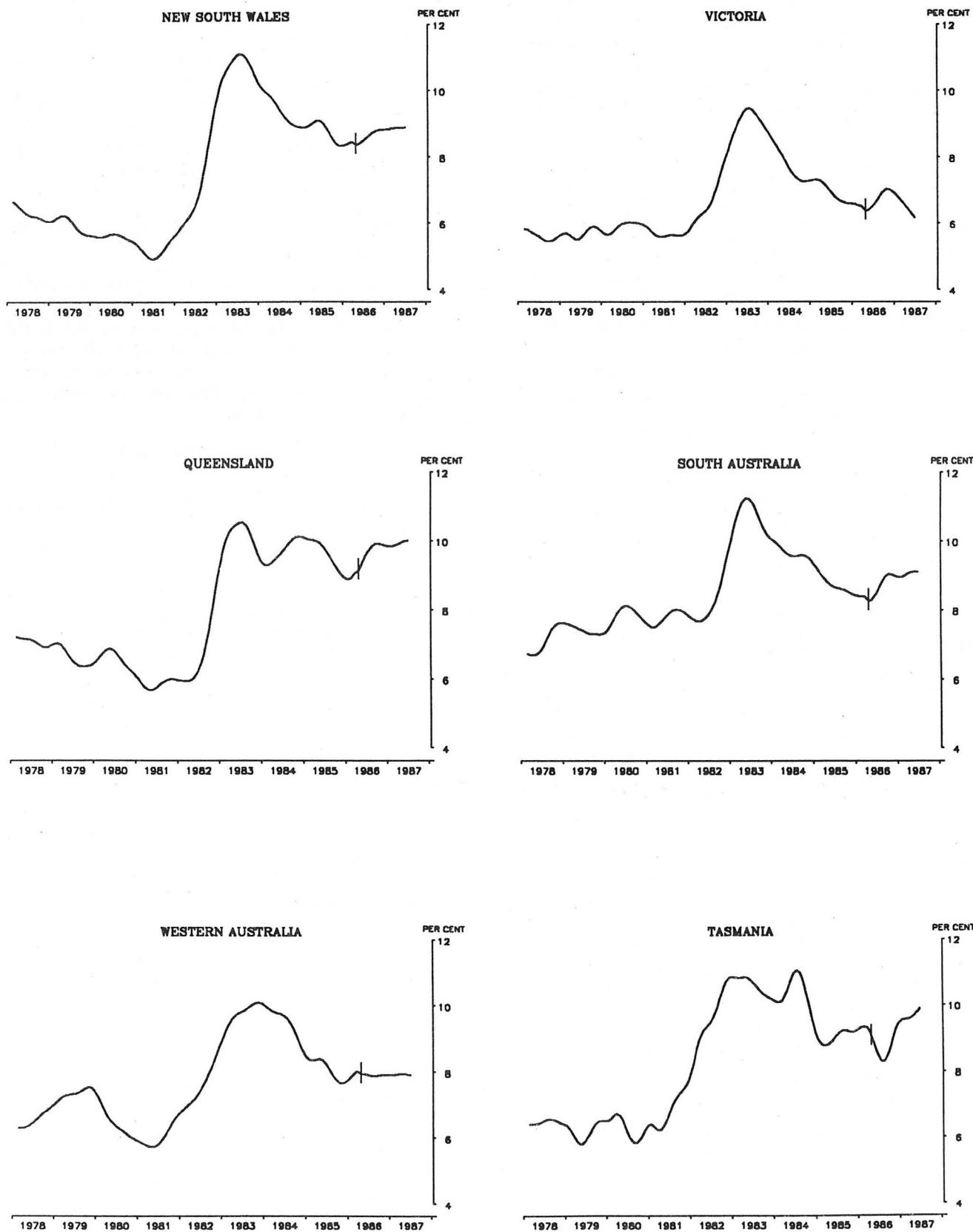
EMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

Semi-logarithmic graphs (see paragraph 24)



Indicates break in series - see paragraph 14.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: TREND SERIES



Indicates break in series - see paragraph 14.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised estimates for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

The population survey

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 35,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the survey week).

Scope

3. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependents) stationed in Australia.

Coverage

4. In the labour force survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are, necessarily, a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

Definitions

5. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on the *actual activity* undertaken during the survey week (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.). The following definitions, which conform closely to the international standard definitions specified by the International Labour Office (ILO), relate only to those persons within the scope of the survey.

6. *Employed persons* comprise all those aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or

(c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or

(d) were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

7. *Full-time workers* are those who usually worked 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week. *Part-time workers* are those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week. When recording hours of work, fractions of an hour are disregarded.

8. *Unemployed persons* are those aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

(a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:

(i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or

(ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or

(b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant break-down.

9. *Unemployed persons looking for their first full-time job* are those who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

10. The *unemployment rate* for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

11. The *labour force* comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

12. The *labour force participation rate* for any group is the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

13. *Persons not in the labour force* are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined above.

Revision of series

14. From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). For further information, see paragraphs 37 and 38 of the Explanatory Notes to the February 1987 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

Reliability of the estimates

15. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the *standard error*. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

16. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Note in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

17. Very small estimates and percentages based on such estimates are not published but are indicated with a '*' because they are subject to high relative standard errors. Although estimates for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

18. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

(a) An estimate of 320,000 unemployed males looking for full-time work has a standard error of about 6,300. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will be within the range 313,700 to 326,300 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 307,400 to 332,600.

(b) An estimate of movement in the number of unemployed males looking for full-time work from one month to the next is an increase of 28,300. The standard error of this monthly movement is about 5,100. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been within the range +23,200 to +33,400, and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range +18,100 to +38,500.

19. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

Seasonal adjustment and trend estimation

20. Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2, 5 and 8. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

21. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in Tables 3, 6 and 9.

22. While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

23. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of 'Trend'* (1316.0), and *Time Series Decomposition - an Overview* (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.

Semi-logarithmic graphs

24. Graphs on page 2 have been drawn using a logarithmic vertical scale to facilitate comparisons of rates of growth in series of differing magnitude. Equal distances on the vertical scale (over equal time periods) indicate equal rates of growth for graphs on the same page.

Related publications

25. Users may also wish to refer to *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available on request.

26. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Note in 6203.0 for more details.
 - . . not applicable
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27. Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER

Month	Unemployed															
	Employed		Aged 15-19 looking for first job		Looking for part-time work		Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate	Participation rate					
	Full-time workers	Total	Total	part-time work	Total	Total										
- '000 -																
- per cent -																
MALES																
1986 -																
May	3,914.3	4,204.1	18.8	308.8	27.6	336.4	4,540.5	1,447.1	5,987.6	7.4	75.8					
June	3,950.7	4,233.2	18.5	292.9	27.0	320.0	4,553.2	1,444.1	5,997.3	7.0	75.9					
July	3,927.7	4,204.7	20.6	317.4	24.3	341.7	4,546.4	1,462.6	6,009.0	7.5	75.7					
August	3,901.6	4,179.8	17.5	319.9	28.1	348.0	4,527.8	1,492.4	6,020.2	7.7	75.2					
September	3,955.8	4,237.2	16.9	333.2	29.3	362.5	4,599.7	1,431.8	6,031.5	7.9	76.3					
October	3,944.0	4,223.8	17.2	315.0	26.1	341.0	4,564.9	1,479.3	6,044.2	7.5	75.5					
November	3,930.9	4,209.0	17.8	320.0	24.8	344.8	4,553.8	1,503.0	6,056.8	7.6	75.2					
December	3,984.3	4,273.3	34.9	348.3	37.2	385.5	4,658.8	1,410.6	6,069.5	8.3	76.8					
1987 -																
January	3,929.0	4,193.6	35.0	370.8	31.7	402.4	4,596.1	1,484.8	6,080.9	8.8	75.6					
February	3,963.5	4,230.9	34.2	362.8	32.5	395.4	4,626.3	1,466.0	6,092.3	8.5	75.9					
March	3,972.6	4,274.1	23.0	351.4	33.9	385.3	4,659.3	1,444.3	6,103.7	8.3	76.3					
April	3,961.3	4,265.3	20.7	327.1	30.2	357.3	4,622.6	1,493.5	6,116.1	7.7	75.6					
May	3,958.7	4,254.9	22.2	337.9	29.0	366.9	4,621.8	1,505.9	6,127.6	7.9	75.4					
June	3,972.9	4,277.6	17.2	326.8	27.0	353.7	4,631.4	1,507.8	6,139.1	7.6	75.4					
Standard error of -																
June 1987 estimates	15.4	15.7	1.8	6.4	2.2	6.6	16.1	11.2	..	0.1	0.3					
May 87 to June 87 movements	12.7	13.1	1.8	5.1	2.0	5.2	13.5	8.9	..	0.1	0.2					
FEMALES																
1986 -																
May	1,701.6	2,740.4	20.0	174.5	81.3	255.8	2,996.2	3,177.1	6,173.3	8.5	48.5					
June	1,684.3	2,739.5	17.3	164.1	77.8	241.9	2,981.4	3,201.9	6,183.2	8.1	48.2					
July	1,703.5	2,753.7	21.4	173.5	78.9	252.4	3,006.1	3,189.4	6,195.5	8.4	48.5					
August	1,680.7	2,705.9	19.5	170.8	76.9	247.6	2,953.6	3,253.1	6,206.7	8.4	47.6					
September	1,711.2	2,770.4	14.9	184.4	84.7	269.1	3,039.5	3,178.5	6,218.0	8.9	48.9					
October	1,717.9	2,776.5	16.5	171.0	78.1	249.1	3,025.6	3,205.2	6,230.7	8.2	48.6					
November	1,716.7	2,798.0	18.5	169.1	69.3	238.4	3,036.4	3,207.1	6,243.5	7.9	48.6					
December	1,739.7	2,818.7	30.4	197.4	72.6	269.9	3,088.6	3,167.7	6,256.3	8.7	49.4					
1987 -																
January	1,719.8	2,684.6	35.3	204.2	64.7	269.0	2,953.6	3,314.3	6,267.9	9.1	47.1					
February	1,717.6	2,767.3	29.3	218.3	85.9	304.2	3,071.5	3,207.9	6,279.5	9.9	48.9					
March	1,733.6	2,835.0	22.9	211.0	106.3	317.3	3,152.3	3,138.8	6,291.0	10.1	50.1					
April	1,726.2	2,822.4	20.9	203.7	91.1	294.8	3,117.2	3,184.9	6,302.1	9.5	49.5					
May	1,721.6	2,829.1	15.9	192.7	75.4	268.1	3,097.2	3,216.1	6,313.3	8.7	49.1					
June	1,717.9	2,833.4	17.2	179.5	70.5	249.9	3,083.3	3,241.3	6,324.6	8.1	48.8					
Standard error of -																
June 1987 estimates	11.7	13.8	1.8	5.0	3.4	5.7	14.2	14.4	..	0.2	0.2					
May 87 to June 87 movements	9.3	11.2	1.7	4.1	2.9	4.6	11.6	11.8	..	0.2	0.2					
PERSONS																
1986 -																
May	5,615.8	6,944.5	38.7	483.3	108.9	592.2	7,536.7	4,624.1	12,160.9	7.9	62.0					
June	5,634.9	6,972.7	35.8	457.0	104.8	561.9	7,534.6	4,646.0	12,180.5	7.5	61.9					
July	5,631.2	6,958.4	42.0	490.9	103.2	594.2	7,552.6	4,652.0	12,204.5	7.9	61.9					
August	5,582.4	6,885.7	37.0	490.7	105.0	595.6	7,481.4	4,745.6	12,226.9	8.0	61.2					
September	5,667.0	7,007.6	31.8	517.6	114.0	631.6	7,639.2	4,610.2	12,249.5	8.3	62.4					
October	5,661.9	7,000.3	33.7	485.9	104.2	590.1	7,590.4	4,684.4	12,274.9	7.8	61.8					
November	5,647.6	7,006.9	36.3	489.1	94.2	583.3	7,590.2	4,710.1	12,300.3	7.7	61.7					
December	5,724.0	7,092.0	65.3	545.7	109.8	655.5	7,747.4	4,578.4	12,325.8	8.5	62.9					
1987 -																
January	5,648.8	6,878.3	70.3	575.0	96.4	671.4	7,549.7	4,799.1	12,348.8	8.9	61.1					
February	5,681.0	6,998.2	63.5	581.1	118.4	699.6	7,697.8	4,673.9	12,371.7	9.1	62.2					
March	5,706.2	7,109.1	45.8	562.4	140.2	702.5	7,811.6	4,583.1	12,394.7	9.0	63.0					
April	5,687.5	7,087.7	41.5	530.8	121.3	652.1	7,739.8	4,678.4	12,418.2	8.4	62.3					
May	5,680.2	7,084.0	38.1	530.6	104.4	635.0	7,719.0	4,721.9	12,440.9	8.2	62.0					
June	5,690.8	7,111.1	34.3	506.2	97.4	603.6	7,714.7	4,749.1	12,463.8	7.8	61.9					
Standard error of -																
June 1987 estimates	17.2	18.4	2.5	7.5	3.9	8.0	18.8	16.2	..	0.1	0.2					
May 87 to June 87 movements	14.5	15.8	2.2	6.0	3.3	6.4	16.3	13.6	..	0.1	0.1					

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
	Full-time workers		Total	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Looking for part-time work			
	Total	- '000 -	Total	Total	Total			
MALES								
1986 -								
May	3,922.4	4,206.4	23.9	312.0	26.0	338.0	4,544.4	7.4
June	3,961.4	4,243.0	23.8	301.8	29.0	330.8	4,573.9	7.2
July	3,925.3	4,205.0	26.8	327.0	29.6	356.6	4,561.6	7.8
August	3,935.9	4,214.5	21.3	321.8	30.1	351.9	4,566.3	7.7
September	3,942.4	4,219.3	20.3	333.9	27.7	361.6	4,580.9	7.9
October	3,940.5	4,213.3	21.6	337.3	29.0	366.3	4,579.6	8.0
November	3,933.8	4,203.0	21.8	343.5	28.8	372.3	4,575.2	8.1
December	3,942.0	4,236.1	23.1	346.8	31.0	377.7	4,613.8	8.2
1987 -							- per cent -	
January	3,940.1	4,223.3	22.4	342.9	27.1	370.0	4,593.3	8.1
February	3,953.3	4,239.0	24.8	331.7	34.2	365.8	4,604.8	7.9
March	3,960.4	4,259.8	21.2	341.3	30.4	371.6	4,631.4	8.0
April	3,977.9	4,266.4	24.2	329.8	30.1	360.0	4,626.3	7.8
May	3,967.4	4,257.7	28.3	341.1	27.2	368.4	4,626.1	8.0
June	3,983.8	4,287.7	21.9	335.6	28.9	364.5	4,652.2	7.8
FEMALES								
1986 -								
May	1,707.3	2,732.1	22.2	174.9	78.6	253.5	2,985.6	8.5
June	1,699.3	2,736.2	19.7	167.3	78.8	246.1	2,982.3	8.3
July	1,699.2	2,741.6	26.7	188.4	82.4	270.8	3,012.4	9.0
August	1,704.2	2,728.4	25.6	182.5	89.1	271.6	3,000.0	9.1
September	1,700.0	2,746.4	18.2	191.4	77.5	268.9	3,015.3	8.9
October	1,727.0	2,770.7	21.9	191.8	81.2	273.0	3,043.7	9.0
November	1,714.6	2,763.4	23.4	188.3	76.1	264.4	3,027.9	8.7
December	1,711.9	2,778.7	22.3	191.6	75.1	266.7	3,045.4	8.8
1987 -								
January	1,718.4	2,797.1	23.4	186.4	81.9	268.3	3,065.5	8.8
February	1,718.1	2,802.4	20.8	187.3	78.8	266.0	3,068.5	8.7
March	1,721.3	2,800.4	20.7	192.2	86.8	279.0	3,079.4	9.1
April	1,730.4	2,818.2	22.6	199.7	81.1	280.8	3,099.0	9.1
May	1,728.0	2,819.9	17.8	192.6	73.0	265.6	3,085.5	8.6
June	1,733.2	2,828.7	19.6	182.9	71.3	254.2	3,082.9	8.2
PERSONS								
1986 -								
May	5,629.7	6,938.5	46.1	486.9	104.6	591.5	7,530.0	7.9
June	5,660.7	6,979.2	43.5	469.1	107.8	577.0	7,556.2	7.6
July	5,624.4	6,946.6	53.5	515.4	112.0	627.4	7,574.0	8.3
August	5,640.1	6,942.9	46.9	504.4	119.1	623.5	7,566.4	8.2
September	5,642.4	6,965.7	38.5	525.3	105.3	630.5	7,596.3	8.3
October	5,667.5	6,984.0	43.5	529.1	110.2	639.3	7,623.3	8.4
November	5,648.4	6,966.4	45.2	531.8	105.0	636.7	7,603.1	8.4
December	5,653.9	7,014.8	45.4	538.4	106.0	644.5	7,659.2	8.4
1987 -								
January	5,658.6	7,020.4	45.8	529.3	109.1	638.3	7,658.7	8.3
February	5,671.4	7,041.4	45.6	518.9	112.9	631.9	7,673.3	8.2
March	5,681.7	7,060.2	41.9	533.5	117.2	650.6	7,710.9	8.4
April	5,708.3	7,084.6	46.7	529.5	111.3	640.8	7,725.4	8.3
May	5,695.4	7,077.6	46.1	533.7	100.2	634.0	7,711.6	8.2
June	5,717.0	7,116.4	41.5	518.5	100.2	618.7	7,735.2	8.0

TABLE 3. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: TREND SERIES

Month	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate									
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work		Total												
			Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Looking for part-time work													
- '000 -																	
- per cent -																	
MALES																	
1986 -																	
May	3,934.5	4,218.4	25.2	309.6	30.1	339.6	4,558.0	7.5									
June	3,936.3	4,219.3	24.2	313.5	29.4	343.0	4,562.3	7.5									
July	3,937.7	4,218.0	23.2	318.9	29.0	347.9	4,565.8	7.6									
August	3,938.4	4,215.9	22.4	325.6	28.7	354.4	4,570.3	7.8									
September	3,938.0	4,214.0	21.9	332.4	28.7	361.1	4,575.1	7.9									
October	3,937.4	4,213.8	21.7	338.0	29.0	367.0	4,580.8	8.0									
November	3,938.2	4,216.8	21.8	341.4	29.4	370.7	4,587.5	8.1									
December r	3,941.1	4,222.9	22.1	342.2	29.8	372.0	4,594.9	8.1									
1987 -																	
January r	3,946.4	4,231.7	22.8	341.1	30.3	371.4	4,603.1	8.1									
February r	3,953.0	4,241.6	23.4	339.2	30.5	369.7	4,611.3	8.0									
March r	3,960.7	4,252.0	23.8	337.5	30.3	367.7	4,619.7	8.0									
April r	3,968.1	4,261.6	24.2	336.3	29.8	366.2	4,627.8	7.9									
May r	3,974.7	4,270.3	24.4	335.7	29.3	365.0	4,635.3	7.9									
June	3,979.8	4,276.5	24.5	335.3	28.8	364.1	4,640.6	7.8									
FEMALES																	
1986 -																	
May	1,703.2	2,732.7	22.2	175.4	79.9	255.3	2,988.0	8.5									
June	1,703.1	2,736.0	22.3	177.6	81.4	258.9	2,994.9	8.6									
July	1,703.7	2,738.6	22.5	181.0	82.0	263.0	3,001.6	8.8									
August	1,705.6	2,742.6	22.7	184.8	81.9	266.7	3,009.3	8.9									
September	1,708.5	2,749.2	22.7	188.0	81.0	268.9	3,018.2	8.9									
October	1,711.6	2,758.6	22.5	189.6	79.7	269.3	3,027.9	8.9									
November	1,714.5	2,769.7	22.3	189.9	78.9	268.8	3,038.5	8.8									
December r	1,716.6	2,780.7	22.2	189.9	79.0	268.9	3,049.6	8.8									
1987 -																	
January r	1,718.3	2,790.8	22.1	190.2	79.7	269.9	3,060.7	8.8									
February r	1,720.2	2,799.4	21.8	190.8	80.4	271.2	3,070.6	8.8									
March r	1,722.9	2,807.2	21.2	191.5	80.1	271.6	3,078.8	8.8									
April r	1,726.1	2,814.5	20.5	191.7	78.9	270.6	3,085.2	8.8									
May r	1,729.3	2,821.1	19.8	191.4	77.2	268.7	3,089.8	8.7									
June	1,731.9	2,825.8	19.3	190.6	75.3	265.9	3,091.6	8.6									
PERSONS																	
1986 -																	
May	5,637.7	6,951.1	47.4	485.0	110.0	595.0	7,546.1	7.9									
June	5,639.5	6,955.3	46.4	491.1	110.8	601.9	7,557.2	8.0									
July	5,641.4	6,956.6	45.7	499.9	111.0	610.9	7,567.4	8.1									
August	5,644.0	6,958.5	45.1	510.5	110.6	621.1	7,579.6	8.2									
September	5,646.5	6,963.2	44.7	520.4	109.7	630.1	7,593.3	8.3									
October	5,649.0	6,972.4	44.3	527.6	108.7	636.3	7,608.6	8.4									
November	5,652.7	6,986.5	44.1	531.3	108.3	639.5	7,626.1	8.4									
December r	5,657.7	7,003.6	44.4	532.1	108.8	640.9	7,644.6	8.4									
1987 -																	
January r	5,664.6	7,022.5	44.9	531.2	110.0	641.3	7,663.8	8.4									
February r	5,673.2	7,041.0	45.2	530.1	110.9	640.9	7,681.9	8.3									
March r	5,683.6	7,059.2	45.0	528.9	110.4	639.3	7,698.5	8.3									
April r	5,694.2	7,076.1	44.6	528.1	108.8	636.8	7,712.9	8.3									
May r	5,704.0	7,091.4	44.3	527.1	106.6	633.7	7,725.1	8.2									
June	5,711.7	7,102.2	43.9	525.9	104.0	630.0	7,732.2	8.1									

TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, AUSTRALIA

Month	Number looking for full-time work			Number looking for part- time work	Total	Unemployment rate				
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over			Looking for full-time work		Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total
	Looking for first job	Total	'000	-	Total	15-19	Total	part- time work	Total	
MALES										
1986 -										
May	18.8	60.7	248.1	308.8	27.6	336.4	19.7	6.3	7.3	8.7
June	18.5	57.6	235.3	292.9	27.0	320.0	19.5	6.0	6.9	8.7
July	20.6	60.7	256.8	317.4	24.3	341.7	20.0	6.5	7.5	8.1
August	17.5	58.7	261.2	319.9	28.1	348.0	19.7	6.7	7.6	9.2
September	16.9	59.5	273.7	333.2	29.3	362.5	19.8	6.9	7.8	9.4
October	17.2	57.3	257.7	315.0	26.1	341.0	19.5	6.5	7.4	8.5
November	17.8	55.3	264.6	320.0	24.8	344.8	19.1	6.7	7.5	8.2
December	34.9	80.4	267.9	348.3	37.2	385.5	23.7	6.7	8.0	11.4
1987 -										
January	35.0	81.9	288.9	370.8	31.7	402.4	23.8	7.3	8.6	10.7
February	34.2	83.3	279.5	362.8	32.5	395.4	24.7	7.0	8.4	10.8
March	23.0	68.0	283.4	351.4	33.9	385.3	21.6	7.1	8.1	10.1
April	20.7	63.7	263.4	327.1	30.2	357.3	20.7	6.6	7.6	9.0
May	22.2	63.1	274.7	337.9	29.0	366.9	21.1	6.9	7.9	8.9
June	17.2	58.4	268.4	326.8	27.0	353.7	19.9	6.7	7.6	8.1
Standard error of -										
June 1987 estimates	1.8	3.1	5.9	6.4	2.2	6.6	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.7
May 87 to June 87 movements	1.8	2.7	4.7	5.1	2.0	5.2	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.6
FEMALES										
1986 -										
May	20.0	56.2	118.3	174.5	81.3	255.8	22.4	7.3	9.3	7.3
June	17.3	52.9	111.2	164.1	77.8	241.9	21.9	6.9	8.9	6.9
July	21.4	54.8	118.7	173.5	78.9	252.4	22.4	7.3	9.2	7.0
August	19.5	51.2	119.6	170.8	76.9	247.6	21.5	7.4	9.2	8.4
September	14.9	52.6	131.8	184.4	84.7	269.1	21.6	8.0	9.7	7.4
October	16.5	51.9	119.0	171.0	78.1	249.1	22.4	7.2	9.1	6.9
November	18.5	48.7	120.4	169.1	69.3	238.4	20.7	7.3	9.0	6.0
December	30.4	69.9	127.5	197.4	72.6	269.9	26.0	7.6	10.2	6.3
1987 -										
January	35.3	73.2	131.0	204.2	64.7	269.0	26.9	7.9	10.6	6.3
February	29.3	74.1	144.2	218.3	85.9	304.2	27.9	8.6	11.3	7.6
March	22.9	63.7	147.2	211.0	106.3	317.3	25.5	8.7	10.8	8.8
April	20.9	59.2	144.5	203.7	91.1	294.8	24.2	8.6	10.6	7.7
May	15.9	52.1	140.6	192.7	75.4	268.1	22.5	8.4	10.1	6.4
June	17.2	56.3	123.2	179.5	70.5	249.9	24.6	7.4	9.5	5.9
Standard error of -										
June 1987 estimates	1.8	3.1	4.3	5.0	3.4	5.7	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
May 87 to June 87 movements	1.7	2.6	3.6	4.1	2.9	4.6	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
PERSONS										
1986 -										
May	38.7	116.9	366.4	483.3	108.9	592.2	20.9	6.6	7.9	7.6
June	35.8	110.6	346.5	457.0	104.8	561.9	20.6	6.2	7.5	7.5
July	42.0	115.4	375.5	490.9	103.2	594.2	21.0	6.7	8.0	7.2
August	37.0	109.8	380.8	490.7	105.0	595.6	20.5	6.9	8.1	7.5
September	31.8	112.1	405.5	517.6	114.0	631.6	20.6	7.2	8.4	7.8
October	33.7	109.2	376.7	485.9	104.2	590.1	20.8	6.7	7.9	7.2
November	36.3	104.0	385.1	489.1	94.2	583.3	19.9	6.9	8.0	6.5
December	65.3	150.3	395.4	545.7	109.8	655.5	24.7	7.0	8.7	7.4
1987 -										
January	70.3	155.1	419.9	575.0	96.4	671.4	25.2	7.5	9.2	7.3
February	63.5	157.4	423.7	581.1	118.4	699.6	26.1	7.5	9.3	8.3
March	45.8	131.7	430.6	562.4	140.2	702.5	23.4	7.5	9.0	9.1
April	41.5	122.9	408.0	530.8	121.3	652.1	22.2	7.2	8.5	8.0
May	38.1	115.2	415.4	530.6	104.4	635.0	21.7	7.3	8.5	6.9
June	34.3	114.7	391.5	506.2	97.4	603.6	22.0	6.9	8.2	6.4
Standard error of -										
June 1987 estimates	2.5	4.2	6.8	7.5	3.9	8.0	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.3
May 87 to June 87 movements	2.2	3.4	5.5	6.0	3.3	6.4	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.2

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work					Unemployment rate				
	Aged 15-19		Number looking for part-time work			Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work		
	Looking for first job	Aged 20 and over	Total	Total	Total	Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total	Total	Total
	- '000 -					- per cent -				
MALES										
1986 -										
May	23.9	66.1	245.9	312.0	26.0	338.0	21.5	6.3	7.4	8.4
June	23.8	64.5	237.3	301.8	29.0	330.8	21.3	6.0	7.1	9.3
July	26.8	65.1	261.9	327.0	29.6	356.6	21.0	6.6	7.7	9.6
August	21.3	65.0	256.8	321.8	30.1	351.9	20.7	6.5	7.6	9.7
September	20.3	64.5	269.4	333.9	27.7	361.6	20.7	6.8	7.8	9.1
October	21.6	66.1	271.2	337.3	29.0	366.3	21.1	6.8	7.9	9.6
November	21.8	63.6	279.8	343.5	28.8	372.3	20.5	7.1	8.0	9.7
December	23.1	65.2	281.6	346.8	31.0	377.7	20.8	7.1	8.1	9.5
1987 -										
January	22.4	62.2	280.7	342.9	27.1	370.0	19.8	7.1	8.0	8.7
February	24.8	70.7	260.9	331.7	34.2	365.8	22.3	6.6	7.7	10.7
March	21.2	66.8	274.5	341.3	30.4	371.6	21.5	6.9	7.9	9.2
April	24.2	67.1	262.7	329.8	30.1	360.0	21.9	6.6	7.7	9.5
May	28.3	68.8	272.3	341.1	27.2	368.4	23.0	6.8	7.9	8.6
June	21.9	65.3	270.3	335.6	28.9	364.5	21.7	6.7	7.8	8.7
FEMALES										
1986 -										
May	22.2	58.9	116.0	174.9	78.6	253.5	23.4	7.1	9.3	7.1
June	19.7	56.5	110.8	167.3	78.8	246.1	22.7	6.8	9.0	7.1
July	26.7	61.3	127.0	188.4	82.4	270.8	24.3	7.8	10.0	7.3
August	25.6	58.2	124.3	182.5	89.1	271.6	23.4	7.6	9.7	8.0
September	18.2	58.2	133.2	191.4	77.5	268.9	23.3	8.1	10.1	6.9
October	21.9	61.6	130.3	191.8	81.2	273.0	24.9	7.8	10.0	7.2
November	23.4	56.8	131.5	188.3	76.1	264.4	22.8	8.0	9.9	6.8
December	22.3	58.5	133.1	191.6	75.1	266.7	23.1	8.1	10.1	6.6
1987 -										
January	23.4	57.6	128.8	186.4	81.9	268.3	23.2	7.8	9.8	7.1
February	20.8	61.2	126.1	187.3	78.8	266.0	24.7	7.6	9.8	6.8
March	20.7	59.0	133.2	192.2	86.8	279.0	24.5	8.0	10.0	7.4
April	22.6	60.2	139.5	199.7	81.1	280.8	24.5	8.3	10.3	6.9
May	17.8	54.6	138.0	192.6	73.0	265.6	23.5	8.2	10.0	6.3
June	19.6	60.1	122.8	182.9	71.3	254.2	25.6	7.3	9.5	6.1
PERSONS										
1986 -										
May	46.1	125.0	361.9	486.9	104.6	591.5	22.3	6.5	8.0	7.4
June	43.5	121.1	348.0	469.1	107.8	577.0	21.9	6.2	7.7	7.6
July	53.5	126.5	388.9	515.4	112.0	627.4	22.5	7.0	8.4	8.3
August	46.9	123.2	381.2	504.4	119.1	623.5	21.9	6.8	8.2	8.4
September	38.5	122.7	402.6	525.3	105.3	630.5	21.8	7.2	8.5	7.4
October	43.5	127.6	401.5	529.1	110.2	639.3	22.8	7.1	8.5	7.7
November	45.2	120.5	411.3	531.8	105.0	636.7	21.5	7.3	8.6	7.4
December	45.4	123.7	414.8	538.4	106.0	644.5	21.8	7.4	8.7	8.4
1987 -										
January	45.8	119.8	409.4	529.3	109.1	638.3	21.3	7.3	8.6	7.4
February	45.6	131.9	387.0	518.9	112.9	631.9	23.3	6.9	8.4	7.6
March	41.9	125.8	407.6	533.5	117.2	650.6	22.8	7.2	8.6	7.8
April	46.7	127.3	402.2	529.5	111.3	640.8	23.0	7.1	8.5	8.3
May	46.1	123.4	410.3	533.7	100.2	634.0	23.2	7.2	8.6	6.8
June	41.5	125.4	393.1	518.5	100.2	618.7	23.4	6.9	8.3	6.7

TABLE 6. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work					Unemployment rate								
	Aged 15-19			Number looking for part- time work	Total	Looking for full-time work			Looking for part- time work	Total				
	Looking for first job		Aged 20 and over			Aged 20								
	Total	Total	Total			Aged 15-19	Aged 20	Total						
- '000 -														
MALES														
1986 -														
May	25.2	66.3	243.3	309.6	30.1	339.6	21.4	6.2	7.3	9.6				
June	24.2	65.8	247.8	313.5	29.4	343.0	21.3	6.3	7.4	9.4				
July	23.2	65.3	253.6	318.9	29.0	347.9	21.1	6.4	7.5	9.4				
August	22.4	64.9	260.7	325.6	28.7	354.4	20.9	6.6	7.6	9.4				
September	21.9	64.6	267.8	332.4	28.7	361.1	20.7	6.8	7.8	9.4				
October	21.7	64.5	273.5	338.0	29.0	367.0	20.6	6.9	7.9	9.5				
November	21.8	64.7	276.7	341.4	29.4	370.7	20.6	7.0	8.0	9.5				
December r	22.1	65.1	277.1	342.2	29.8	372.0	20.7	7.0	8.0	9.6				
1987 -														
January r	22.8	65.8	275.3	341.1	30.3	371.4	21.0	6.9	8.0	9.6				
February r	23.4	66.5	272.7	339.2	30.5	369.7	21.3	6.9	7.9	9.5				
March r	23.8	67.1	270.3	337.5	30.3	367.7	21.7	6.8	7.9	9.4				
April r	24.2	67.5	268.9	336.3	29.8	366.2	22.0	6.7	7.8	9.2				
May r	24.4	67.6	268.1	335.7	29.3	365.0	22.2	6.7	7.8	9.0				
June	24.5	67.5	267.9	335.3	28.8	364.1	22.4	6.7	7.8	8.8				
FEMALES														
1986 -														
May	22.2	57.7	117.6	175.4	79.9	255.3	23.0	7.2	9.3	7.2				
June	22.3	58.4	119.2	177.6	81.4	258.9	23.3	7.3	9.4	7.3				
July	22.5	59.0	122.0	181.0	82.0	263.0	23.6	7.5	9.6	7.3				
August	22.7	59.2	125.7	184.8	81.9	266.7	23.7	7.7	9.8	7.3				
September	22.7	59.1	128.9	188.0	81.0	268.9	23.7	7.8	9.9	7.2				
October	22.5	58.9	130.7	189.6	79.7	269.3	23.6	7.9	10.0	7.1				
November	22.3	58.8	131.1	189.9	78.9	268.8	23.5	7.9	10.0	7.0				
December r	22.2	58.9	131.0	189.9	79.0	268.9	23.6	7.9	10.0	6.9				
1987 -														
January r	22.1	58.9	131.2	190.2	79.7	269.9	23.7	7.9	10.0	6.9				
February r	21.8	59.0	131.8	190.8	80.4	271.2	23.9	7.9	10.0	6.9				
March r	21.2	58.9	132.6	191.5	80.1	271.6	24.2	7.9	10.0	6.9				
April r	20.5	58.8	132.9	191.7	78.9	270.6	24.4	7.9	10.0	6.8				
May r	19.8	58.6	132.8	191.4	77.2	268.7	24.7	7.9	10.0	6.6				
June	19.3	58.4	132.2	190.6	75.3	265.9	24.8	7.8	9.9	6.4				
PERSONS														
1986 -														
May	47.4	124.0	361.0	485.0	110.0	595.0	22.1	6.5	7.9	7.7				
June	46.4	124.2	366.9	491.1	110.8	601.9	22.2	6.6	8.0	7.8				
July	45.7	124.3	375.6	499.9	111.0	610.9	22.2	6.7	8.1	7.8				
August	45.1	124.1	386.4	510.5	110.6	621.1	22.2	6.9	8.3	8.2				
September	44.7	123.7	396.7	520.4	109.7	630.1	22.0	7.1	8.4	7.7				
October	44.3	123.4	404.2	527.6	108.7	636.3	21.9	7.2	8.5	7.6				
November	44.1	123.5	407.8	531.3	108.3	639.5	21.9	7.3	8.6	7.5				
December r	44.4	124.0	408.1	532.1	108.8	640.9	22.0	7.3	8.6	7.5				
1987 -														
January r	44.9	124.7	406.5	531.2	110.0	641.3	22.2	7.2	8.6	7.5				
February r	45.2	125.5	404.5	530.1	110.9	640.9	22.5	7.2	8.5	7.5				
March r	45.0	126.0	402.9	528.9	110.4	639.3	22.8	7.1	8.5	7.4				
April r	44.6	126.2	401.8	528.1	108.8	636.8	23.0	7.1	8.5	7.3				
May r	44.3	126.2	400.9	527.1	106.6	633.7	23.3	7.0	8.5	7.1				
June	43.9	125.8	400.1	525.9	104.0	630.0	23.5	7.0	8.4	7.0				

TABLE 7. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
STATES AND TERRITORIES, JUNE 1987

State or Territory	Employed		Unemployed				Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian popula- tion aged 15 and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate				
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full- time work	Looking for part- time work	Total										
	-'000				-										
MALES															
New South Wales	1,353.5	1,455.4	127.6	8.0	135.6	1,591.0	544.2	2,135.1	8.5	74.5					
Victoria	1,074.2	1,155.1	61.0	6.6	67.7	1,222.7	383.6	1,606.4	5.5	76.1					
Queensland	625.4	676.9	63.7	4.9	68.6	745.4	240.9	986.3	9.2	75.6					
South Australia	331.0	357.7	29.9	2.7	32.6	390.3	141.1	531.4	8.3	73.4					
Western Australia	375.6	403.7	29.1	3.0	32.2	435.8	124.6	560.4	7.4	77.8					
Tasmania	107.7	114.2	11.2	*	11.6	125.8	43.6	169.5	9.2	74.3					
Northern Territory	39.5	42.5	*	*	2.0	44.5	10.7	55.2	4.5	80.6					
Australian Capital Territory	66.0	72.3	2.5	*	3.5	75.8	19.0	94.8	4.6	79.9					
Australia	3,972.9	4,277.6	326.8	27.0	353.7	4,631.4	1,507.8	6,139.1	7.6	75.4					
FEMALES															
New South Wales	601.5	960.5	67.2	23.2	90.4	1,050.8	1,155.0	2,205.9	8.6	47.6					
Victoria	476.1	773.5	33.6	17.2	50.8	824.3	844.0	1,668.3	6.2	49.4					
Queensland	259.6	433.5	35.5	13.5	49.0	482.5	525.9	1,008.4	10.2	47.8					
South Australia	133.0	244.8	17.7	5.6	23.3	268.1	286.6	554.7	8.7	48.3					
Western Australia	149.8	262.6	16.7	6.3	23.0	285.6	275.0	560.7	8.1	50.9					
Tasmania	39.5	70.7	5.9	2.6	8.5	79.2	96.0	175.2	10.8	45.2					
Northern Territory	20.2	29.2	*	*	*	30.9	19.2	50.1	*	61.7					
Australian Capital Territory	38.2	58.7	1.6	1.6	3.2	61.9	39.5	101.4	5.1	61.0					
Australia	1,717.9	2,833.4	179.5	70.5	249.9	3,083.3	3,241.3	6,324.6	8.1	48.8					
PERSONS															
New South Wales	1,955.0	2,415.9	194.7	31.2	225.9	2,641.8	1,699.2	4,341.0	8.6	60.9					
Victoria	1,550.3	1,928.5	94.6	23.8	118.5	2,047.0	1,227.6	3,274.6	5.8	62.5					
Queensland	885.1	1,110.4	99.2	18.4	117.6	1,228.0	766.8	1,994.7	9.6	61.6					
South Australia	464.0	602.5	47.6	8.2	55.9	658.3	427.8	1,086.1	8.5	60.6					
Western Australia	525.4	666.3	45.8	9.4	55.2	721.5	399.6	1,121.1	7.6	64.4					
Tasmania	147.2	184.9	17.1	3.0	20.2	205.0	139.7	344.7	9.8	59.5					
Northern Territory	59.6	71.7	3.0	*	3.7	75.4	29.9	105.3	5.0	71.6					
Australian Capital Territory	104.2	131.0	4.1	2.6	6.7	137.7	58.5	196.2	4.9	70.2					
Australia	5,690.8	7,111.1	506.2	97.4	603.6	7,714.7	4,749.1	12,463.8	7.8	61.9					

TABLE 8. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed		Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed		Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed		Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- per cent -	
NEW SOUTH WALES															
1986 -															
May	1,447.4	126.7	1,574.0	8.0	75.6	921.7	88.1	1,009.9	8.7	46.8	2,369.1	214.8	2,583.9	8.3	60.9
June	1,457.1	124.7	1,581.7	7.9	75.8	928.9	89.2	1,018.1	8.8	47.1	2,386.0	213.9	2,599.8	8.2	61.2
July	1,448.1	131.8	1,579.9	8.3	75.6	930.8	98.3	1,029.1	9.5	47.6	2,378.9	230.1	2,609.0	8.8	61.3
August	1,445.4	126.1	1,571.5	8.0	75.0	924.2	97.1	1,021.3	9.5	47.1	2,369.6	223.3	2,592.9	8.6	60.8
September	1,443.5	132.6	1,576.2	8.4	75.1	913.8	95.9	1,009.7	9.5	46.5	2,357.3	228.6	2,585.9	8.8	60.6
October	1,445.4	134.8	1,580.2	8.5	75.1	929.6	92.7	1,022.3	9.1	47.0	2,375.0	227.5	2,602.5	8.7	60.8
November	1,442.9	141.5	1,584.4	8.9	75.2	924.8	89.5	1,014.3	8.8	46.5	2,367.7	231.0	2,598.7	8.9	60.6
December r	1,450.9	142.6	1,593.6	9.0	75.5	937.5	83.7	1,021.2	8.2	46.8	2,388.5	226.3	2,614.8	8.7	60.9
1987 -															
January r	1,442.8	141.4	1,584.2	8.9	74.9	936.2	93.0	1,029.2	9.0	47.0	2,379.0	234.4	2,613.4	9.0	60.7
February r	1,446.0	142.4	1,588.4	9.0	75.0	931.0	85.8	1,016.9	8.4	46.4	2,377.0	228.3	2,605.3	8.8	60.4
March r	1,450.0	137.0	1,587.0	8.6	74.8	944.1	95.8	1,039.8	9.2	47.4	2,394.0	232.8	2,626.8	8.9	60.8
April r	1,458.4	135.4	1,593.8	8.5	74.9	946.6	100.2	1,046.8	9.6	47.6	2,405.0	235.6	2,640.6	8.9	61.0
May r	1,445.8	136.1	1,581.9	8.6	74.2	950.0	99.4	1,049.5	9.5	47.7	2,395.9	235.5	2,631.4	8.9	60.7
June	1,457.4	137.4	1,594.8	8.6	74.7	961.6	95.1	1,056.6	9.0	47.9	2,419.0	232.5	2,651.5	8.8	61.1
VICTORIA															
1986 -															
May	1,116.7	62.7	1,179.4	5.3	75.0	742.2	61.4	803.7	7.6	49.1	1,858.9	124.1	1,983.1	6.3	61.8
June	1,129.4	60.4	1,189.8	5.1	75.5	737.3	58.6	795.8	7.4	48.6	1,866.7	119.0	1,985.6	6.0	61.8
July	1,111.0	70.8	1,181.8	6.0	74.9	738.8	62.7	801.4	7.8	48.8	1,849.8	133.4	1,983.3	6.7	61.6
August	1,116.6	78.5	1,195.1	6.6	75.6	733.5	64.7	798.2	8.1	48.6	1,850.1	143.2	1,993.3	7.2	61.8
September	1,121.6	77.3	1,198.9	6.5	75.8	745.4	63.6	809.0	7.9	49.2	1,867.0	140.9	2,007.9	7.0	62.2
October	1,129.8	75.3	1,205.1	6.2	76.0	749.6	63.6	813.2	7.8	49.3	1,879.4	138.8	2,018.3	6.9	62.4
November	1,118.7	76.8	1,195.5	6.4	75.3	748.1	64.0	812.1	7.9	49.2	1,866.8	140.8	2,007.6	7.0	62.0
December r	1,131.2	77.0	1,208.2	6.4	76.0	753.3	66.8	820.1	8.1	49.6	1,884.5	143.8	2,028.3	7.1	62.5
1987 -															
January r	1,135.5	71.9	1,207.4	6.0	75.8	763.3	63.7	827.0	7.7	49.9	1,898.8	135.6	2,034.4	6.7	62.6
February r	1,137.5	69.5	1,207.0	5.8	75.7	760.4	64.1	824.5	7.8	49.7	1,897.9	133.6	2,031.5	6.6	62.4
March r	1,151.8	70.1	1,221.8	5.7	76.5	766.6	67.8	834.4	8.1	50.3	1,918.4	137.9	2,056.3	6.7	63.1
April r	1,149.0	70.9	1,219.9	5.8	76.2	776.4	63.8	840.1	7.6	50.5	1,925.3	134.7	2,060.0	6.5	63.1
May r	1,150.1	73.8	1,223.8	6.0	76.3	781.3	56.0	837.3	6.7	50.3	1,931.4	129.8	2,061.2	6.3	63.1
June	1,161.5	71.1	1,232.6	5.8	76.7	772.6	51.5	824.0	6.2	49.4	1,934.1	122.6	2,056.7	6.0	62.8
QUEENSLAND															
1986 -															
May	663.4	68.4	731.8	9.3	76.3	416.7	48.5	465.3	10.4	47.5	1,080.1	116.9	1,197.0	9.8	61.8
June	672.5	66.0	738.5	8.9	76.9	419.1	47.2	466.2	10.1	47.6	1,091.6	113.2	1,204.8	9.4	62.1
July	665.4	68.5	733.9	9.3	76.3	420.1	51.0	471.2	10.8	48.0	1,085.5	119.5	1,205.1	9.9	62.0
August	673.5	66.6	740.1	9.0	76.8	422.0	51.8	473.7	10.9	48.1	1,095.5	118.3	1,213.8	9.8	62.3
September	669.3	69.1	738.3	9.4	76.4	425.5	51.0	476.6	10.7	48.3	1,094.8	120.1	1,214.9	9.9	62.2
October	667.9	70.6	738.6	9.6	76.3	432.5	52.9	485.4	10.9	49.1	1,100.4	123.6	1,224.0	10.1	62.5
November	670.1	69.2	739.3	9.4	76.2	438.4	49.5	487.9	10.1	49.2	1,108.4	118.7	1,227.1	9.7	62.5
December r	677.9	73.3	751.2	9.8	77.2	435.8	54.1	489.9	11.0	49.3	1,113.7	127.4	1,241.1	10.3	63.1
1987 -															
January r	676.9	66.2	743.1	8.9	76.2	436.7	48.6	485.3	10.0	48.7	1,113.6	114.8	1,228.4	9.3	62.3
February r	678.9	68.5	747.4	9.2	76.5	438.7	51.8	490.5	10.6	49.1	1,117.6	120.3	1,238.0	9.7	62.6
March r	676.1	74.6	750.8	9.9	76.6	435.4	52.2	487.5	10.7	48.7	1,111.5	126.8	1,238.3	10.2	62.5
April r	675.5	72.4	747.8	9.7	76.1	438.4	49.3	487.7	10.1	48.6	1,113.8	121.7	1,235.5	9.8	62.2
May r	677.5	73.9	751.3	9.8	76.3	429.6	49.9	479.5	10.4	47.7	1,107.1	123.8	1,230.8	10.1	61.8
June	674.2	71.6	745.8	9.6	75.6	430.3	50.4	480.6	10.5	47.7	1,104.5	122.0	1,226.5	9.9	61.5

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TABLE 8. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES -- continued

TABLE 9. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES

Month	Males				Females				Persons									
	Employed	Unemployed	Labour	Unemp-	Employed	Unemployed	Labour	Unemp-	Employed	Unemployed	Labour	Unemp-						
			force	loyment			force	loyment			force	loyment						
- '000 -																		
- per cent -																		
NEW SOUTH WALES																		
1986 -																		
May	1,448.2	127.4	1,575.6	8.1	75.6	928.4	90.6	1,019.0	8.9	47.3	2,376.6	218.0						
June	1,449.2	127.4	1,576.6	8.1	75.6	927.4	92.8	1,020.2	9.1	47.2	2,376.6	220.2						
July	1,448.8	128.2	1,577.0	8.1	75.4	925.7	94.4	1,020.1	9.3	47.1	2,374.5	222.6						
August	1,447.6	130.0	1,577.6	8.2	75.3	924.4	95.0	1,019.4	9.3	47.0	2,372.0	225.1						
September	1,446.0	132.9	1,578.9	8.4	75.2	924.2	94.2	1,018.5	9.3	46.9	2,370.3	227.1						
October	1,444.8	136.1	1,580.9	8.6	75.2	925.4	92.3	1,017.8	9.1	46.8	2,370.2	228.5						
November	1,444.6	139.1	1,583.7	8.8	75.2	927.8	90.2	1,018.0	8.9	46.7	2,372.5	229.3						
December r	1,445.3	140.8	1,586.2	8.9	75.1	930.8	89.0	1,019.8	8.7	46.7	2,376.1	229.8						
1987 -																		
January r	1,446.7	141.2	1,587.9	8.9	75.1	934.5	89.5	1,024.0	8.7	46.8	2,381.2	230.7						
February r	1,448.2	140.2	1,588.4	8.8	75.0	938.3	91.5	1,029.8	8.9	47.0	2,386.5	231.7						
March r	1,449.8	138.8	1,588.6	8.7	74.8	942.3	93.9	1,036.2	9.1	47.2	2,392.1	232.7						
April r	1,451.4	137.5	1,588.9	8.7	74.7	946.8	96.0	1,042.8	9.2	47.4	2,398.2	233.5						
May r	1,452.9	136.5	1,589.4	8.6	74.6	951.4	97.7	1,049.1	9.3	47.6	2,404.3	234.2						
June	1,454.0	135.8	1,589.7	8.5	74.5	955.1	99.0	1,054.1	9.4	47.8	2,409.0	234.7						
VICTORIA																		
1986 -																		
May	1,118.0	67.0	1,185.0	5.7	75.4	742.4	60.6	803.0	7.5	49.1	1,860.4	127.6						
June	1,118.5	68.3	1,186.8	5.8	75.4	740.7	61.2	801.9	7.6	48.9	1,859.1	129.6						
July	1,118.8	70.5	1,189.3	5.9	75.4	739.4	62.0	801.4	7.7	48.8	1,858.3	132.5						
August	1,119.5	73.2	1,192.8	6.1	75.5	739.9	62.9	802.7	7.8	48.9	1,859.4	136.1						
September	1,120.7	75.6	1,196.3	6.3	75.6	742.2	63.7	805.9	7.9	49.0	1,862.9	139.3						
October	1,122.8	76.9	1,199.6	6.4	75.7	746.0	64.3	810.2	7.9	49.2	1,868.7	141.1						
November	1,126.0	76.5	1,202.5	6.4	75.7	750.2	64.8	815.0	8.0	49.4	1,876.2	141.3						
December r	1,130.4	74.8	1,205.1	6.2	75.8	754.7	65.4	820.1	8.0	49.6	1,885.1	140.2						
1987 -																		
January r	1,135.2	73.0	1,208.2	6.0	75.9	759.4	65.5	825.0	7.9	49.8	1,894.6	138.5						
February r	1,140.2	71.8	1,212.0	5.9	76.0	764.0	64.9	829.0	7.8	50.0	1,904.2	136.7						
March r	1,145.3	71.2	1,216.5	5.9	76.2	768.5	63.4	831.9	7.6	50.1	1,913.8	134.6						
April r	1,150.1	71.0	1,221.1	5.8	76.3	772.6	61.2	833.8	7.3	50.1	1,922.6	132.2						
May r	1,154.3	71.1	1,225.4	5.8	76.4	775.9	58.7	834.5	7.0	50.1	1,930.2	129.7						
June	1,157.3	71.3	1,228.5	5.8	76.5	778.0	56.1	834.1	6.7	50.0	1,935.3	127.3						
QUEENSLAND																		
1986 -																		
May	670.9	64.5	735.4	8.8	76.7	415.4	47.7	463.1	10.3	47.3	1,086.3	112.2						
June	669.9	66.2	736.2	9.0	76.7	418.0	48.9	466.8	10.5	47.6	1,087.9	115.1						
July	669.1	67.6	736.7	9.2	76.6	420.9	50.0	470.9	10.6	47.9	1,090.0	117.6						
August	668.9	68.6	737.5	9.3	76.5	424.1	50.9	475.0	10.7	48.2	1,093.0	119.6						
September	669.5	69.2	738.7	9.4	76.5	427.7	51.5	479.2	10.8	48.6	1,097.2	120.7						
October	670.9	69.5	740.4	9.4	76.5	431.3	51.7	483.0	10.7	48.8	1,102.2	121.2						
November	672.7	69.6	742.4	9.4	76.5	434.5	51.7	486.2	10.6	49.0	1,107.2	121.3						
December r	674.5	69.9	744.4	9.4	76.5	436.8	51.5	488.3	10.5	49.1	1,111.4	121.4						
1987 -																		
January r	676.1	70.3	746.4	9.4	76.5	437.7	51.2	489.0	10.5	49.0	1,113.8	121.5						
February r	677.0	70.8	747.8	9.5	76.5	437.2	51.0	488.2	10.4	48.9	1,114.2	121.8						
March r	677.1	71.5	748.6	9.5	76.4	436.1	50.7	486.8	10.4	48.6	1,113.2	122.2						
April r	676.7	72.2	748.9	9.6	76.3	434.7	50.5	485.1	10.4	48.3	1,111.4	122.7						
May r	676.2	72.8	749.0	9.7	76.1	433.1	50.3	483.4	10.4	48.0	1,109.4	123.1						
June	675.5	73.1	748.6	9.8	75.9	431.8	49.9	481.8	10.4	47.8	1,107.3	123.0						

TABLE 9. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES -- continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemployed	Labour force	Unemp-	Partici-	Employed	Unemployed	Labour force	Unemp-	Partici-	Employed	Unemployed	Labour force	Unemp-	Partici-
				loyment rate	participation rate				- '000 -	- per cent -				- '000 -	- per cent -
SOUTH AUSTRALIA															
1986 -															
May	358.5	32.1	390.6	8.2	74.7	239.7	22.2	261.9	8.5	48.0	598.2	54.3	652.5	8.3	61.1
June	358.3	32.8	391.2	8.4	74.8	240.8	22.5	263.4	8.6	48.2	599.2	55.4	654.5	8.5	61.2
July	358.2	33.8	392.0	8.6	74.8	241.3	23.0	264.3	8.7	48.3	599.5	56.8	656.3	8.7	61.3
August	358.3	34.6	392.9	8.8	74.9	241.3	23.6	265.0	8.9	48.3	599.6	58.3	657.9	8.9	61.3
September	358.4	35.2	393.6	8.9	74.9	241.2	24.1	265.3	9.1	48.3	599.7	59.3	658.9	9.0	61.3
October	358.4	35.5	393.9	9.0	74.9	241.3	24.1	265.3	9.1	48.3	599.6	59.6	659.2	9.0	61.3
November	358.0	35.6	393.5	9.0	74.7	241.6	23.8	265.5	9.0	48.2	599.6	59.4	659.0	9.0	61.2
December r	357.3	35.5	392.8	9.0	74.4	242.1	23.6	265.7	8.9	48.2	599.4	59.1	658.4	9.0	61.0
1987 -															
January r	356.6	35.3	391.9	9.0	74.2	242.5	23.6	266.2	8.9	48.2	599.1	58.9	658.1	9.0	60.9
February r	356.2	35.1	391.3	9.0	74.0	242.9	24.1	267.0	9.0	48.3	599.1	59.2	658.2	9.0	60.9
March r	356.1	35.0	391.1	8.9	73.8	243.3	24.6	267.9	9.2	48.4	599.3	59.6	659.0	9.0	60.9
April r	356.3	34.8	391.1	8.9	73.8	243.6	25.2	268.8	9.4	48.6	599.9	60.0	659.9	9.1	60.9
May r	356.7	34.6	391.3	8.8	73.7	244.0	25.6	269.6	9.5	48.7	600.7	60.2	660.9	9.1	60.9
June	357.1	34.3	391.4	8.8	73.7	244.3	25.9	270.3	9.6	48.7	601.5	60.2	661.7	9.1	60.9
WESTERN AUSTRALIA															
1986 -															
May	393.4	31.7	425.1	7.5	78.6	254.4	24.0	278.5	8.6	51.5	647.8	55.8	703.6	7.9	65.1
June	393.9	31.7	425.5	7.4	78.5	256.2	24.1	280.3	8.6	51.8	650.0	55.8	705.8	7.9	65.1
July	394.3	31.7	426.0	7.5	78.4	257.8	24.0	281.8	8.5	51.9	652.1	55.7	707.8	7.9	65.2
August	394.3	32.0	426.3	7.5	78.3	259.0	23.8	282.8	8.4	51.9	653.3	55.8	709.1	7.9	65.1
September	393.5	32.5	426.0	7.6	78.0	259.7	23.5	283.2	8.3	51.9	653.2	56.0	709.2	7.9	64.9
October	392.1	32.8	424.9	7.7	77.5	260.1	23.2	283.3	8.2	51.7	652.2	56.0	708.2	7.9	64.6
November	390.6	32.8	423.4	7.7	77.0	260.4	23.1	283.5	8.1	51.6	651.0	55.9	706.9	7.9	64.3
December r	389.5	32.4	421.9	7.7	76.5	260.6	23.3	284.0	8.2	51.5	650.1	55.8	705.8	7.9	64.0
1987 -															
January r	389.4	31.9	421.3	7.6	76.2	260.7	23.8	284.5	8.4	51.5	650.1	55.8	705.9	7.9	63.9
February r	390.5	31.6	422.1	7.5	76.2	260.6	24.4	285.0	8.6	51.4	651.1	56.0	707.1	7.9	63.8
March r	392.5	31.5	424.0	7.4	76.3	260.5	24.8	285.2	8.7	51.3	653.0	56.2	709.2	7.9	63.8
April r	394.9	31.6	426.5	7.4	76.6	260.2	24.9	285.1	8.7	51.2	655.2	56.4	711.6	7.9	63.9
May r	397.5	31.8	429.3	7.4	76.8	259.9	24.8	284.7	8.7	50.9	657.4	56.6	714.0	7.9	63.9
June	399.8	32.1	431.8	7.4	77.1	259.9	24.5	284.5	8.6	50.7	659.7	56.6	716.3	7.9	63.9
TASMANIA															
1986 -															
May	114.0	10.4	124.4	8.3	74.7	69.5	7.2	76.8	9.4	44.6	183.6	17.6	201.2	8.8	59.4
June	114.5	10.1	124.6	8.1	74.7	70.2	7.0	77.3	9.1	44.8	184.8	17.1	201.9	8.5	59.5
July	114.9	9.9	124.8	7.9	74.7	70.8	6.9	77.7	8.9	45.0	185.7	16.8	202.5	8.3	59.6
August	115.1	9.9	125.0	7.9	74.8	71.2	7.1	78.3	9.1	45.3	186.3	17.0	203.3	8.4	59.8
September	115.1	10.2	125.3	8.1	74.8	71.5	7.4	78.9	9.4	45.6	186.6	17.5	204.2	8.6	60.0
October	114.9	10.6	125.5	8.5	74.8	71.8	7.7	79.5	9.7	45.9	186.7	18.3	205.0	8.9	60.1
November	114.7	11.1	125.8	8.8	74.9	72.0	8.0	80.0	10.0	46.1	186.7	19.1	205.8	9.3	60.2
December r	114.5	11.5	126.0	9.1	74.9	72.1	8.1	80.2	10.1	46.1	186.6	19.5	206.2	9.5	60.2
1987 -															
January r	114.4	11.7	126.1	9.3	74.9	72.1	8.0	80.1	10.0	46.0	186.5	19.7	206.2	9.6	60.2
February r	114.4	11.8	126.2	9.4	74.8	71.8	7.9	79.7	9.9	45.7	186.2	19.7	205.9	9.6	60.0
March r	114.4	11.9	126.2	9.4	74.7	71.5	7.9	79.3	9.9	45.4	185.8	19.7	205.6	9.6	59.8
April r	114.3	11.9	126.2	9.4	74.6	71.1	7.9	79.0	10.1	45.2	185.4	19.8	205.2	9.7	59.6
May r	114.2	11.9	126.1	9.5	74.5	70.8	8.1	78.9	10.3	45.1	184.9	20.0	205.0	9.8	59.5
June	114.0	11.9	125.9	9.5	74.3	70.4	8.3	78.7	10.5	44.9	184.4	20.2	204.7	9.9	59.4

TABLE 10. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES

State or Territory	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work	Total	Unemployment rate					
	Aged 15-19						Looking for full-time work					
	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total			Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total	Looking for part-time work		
- '000 -							- per cent -					
NEW SOUTH WALES -												
1986 - June	13.4	38.4	135.6	173.9	33.7	207.7	21.9	6.9	8.2	7.3	8.0	
1987 - May	14.3	38.7	160.2	198.9	35.2	234.1	22.7	8.1	9.2	7.3	8.9	
June	12.1	37.0	157.7	194.7	31.2	225.9	22.5	7.9	9.1	6.3	8.6	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	1.6	2.6	4.6	5.0	2.4	5.3	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	1.4	2.1	3.6	4.0	2.0	4.2	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	
VICTORIA -												
1986 - June	7.8	22.1	66.5	88.6	26.7	115.3	16.7	4.5	5.5	7.1	5.8	
1987 - May	8.1	22.0	81.5	103.5	24.8	128.3	16.0	5.4	6.3	6.1	6.2	
June	8.6	23.6	71.0	94.6	23.8	118.5	17.7	4.7	5.8	5.9	5.8	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	1.4	2.1	3.3	3.6	2.1	3.9	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	1.2	1.7	2.7	2.9	1.8	3.1	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	
QUEENSLAND -												
1986 - June	5.2	21.5	66.6	88.1	20.9	109.0	22.5	7.6	9.1	8.8	9.0	
1987 - May	6.1	26.0	80.5	106.4	18.2	124.7	28.4	8.9	10.7	7.5	10.1	
June	5.2	24.7	74.5	99.2	18.4	117.6	26.9	8.4	10.1	7.5	9.6	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.9	1.8	2.7	3.1	1.6	3.3	1.9	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.9	1.5	2.3	2.5	1.3	2.6	1.6	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.2	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA -												
1986 - June	4.2	10.5	32.7	43.2	6.5	49.8	22.5	7.0	8.4	4.8	7.7	
1987 - May	4.4	11.8	37.1	48.9	9.2	58.1	25.9	8.0	9.6	6.1	8.8	
June	4.0	12.8	34.8	47.6	8.2	55.9	27.4	7.5	9.3	5.6	8.5	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.6	1.0	1.5	1.7	0.8	1.8	2.2	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.5	0.8	1.2	1.3	0.7	1.4	1.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA -												
1986 - June	2.9	11.9	31.0	42.9	10.5	53.4	20.0	6.2	7.7	7.3	7.6	
1987 - May	2.9	10.7	36.9	47.6	8.2	55.8	18.7	7.2	8.4	5.8	7.8	
June	*	9.6	36.2	45.8	9.4	55.2	17.0	7.0	8.0	6.2	7.6	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.5	1.0	1.6	1.8	0.9	1.9	1.7	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.5	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	1.4	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	
TASMANIA -												
1986 - June	1.9	4.4	9.5	13.9	1.9	15.9	23.9	6.7	8.7	4.9	7.9	
1987 - May	1.8	4.6	12.5	17.0	2.8	19.9	27.5	8.6	10.5	6.8	9.8	
June	2.0	5.1	12.0	17.1	3.0	20.2	28.7	8.2	10.4	7.5	9.8	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.9	2.9	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.4	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.7	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.3	
NORTHERN TERRITORY -												
1986 - June	*	*	2.5	3.6	*	4.3	*	4.4	5.8	*	5.8	
1987 - May	*	*	2.8	3.1	*	4.6	*	4.8	5.0	*	6.1	
June	*	*	2.5	3.0	*	3.7	*	4.2	4.8	*	5.0	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	6.6	0.8	0.8	2.2	0.7	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	5.9	0.7	0.7	2.5	0.7	
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY -												
1986 - June	*	*	2.1	2.8	3.8	6.6	*	2.1	2.7	12.0	4.8	
1987 - May	*	*	3.9	5.0	4.4	9.5	*	3.7	4.5	14.7	6.7	
June	*	*	2.9	4.1	2.6	6.7	*	2.8	3.8	8.8	4.9	
Standard error of -												
June 1987 estimates	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	4.6	0.4	0.4	1.4	0.4	
May 1987 to June 1987 movements	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	4.0	0.4	0.4	1.4	0.4	